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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AUTOMATED POSTAGE
CORRECTION OF RESIDUAL MAIL**

STATUS INQUIRY - NEW PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

More than twenty three (23) months have passed since the filing of the above-identified patent application on September 19, 2003. No Communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application.

Therefore, applicant wishes to inquire as to the present status of the above-identified pending patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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